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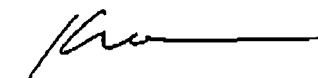
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Dear Sirs,

Application No.: 10/735,373  
Filing Date: December 12, 2003  
Our ref. No.: 26.0263 US

Please find the attached.

Yours truly,



Setsuko Kawashima  
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Application Number	10/735,373
Filing Date	December 12, 2003
First Named Inventor	F. Garcia-Osuna
Art Unit	3602
Examiner Name	Lobo Ian J
Attorney Docket Number	26.0263 US

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

ii. ☒ Other Response to final Office Action filed December 8, 2005

- b. ☐ Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(f) required)

b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees**

The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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- a. ☒ Deposit Account No. 50-1122

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ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.138 and 1.17)


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- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed

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Name (Print/Type)	Katya Singh	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	#38,898
Signature		Date	December 29, 2005

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# FEE TRANSMITTAL

## For FY 2005

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 790

### Complete if Known

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Examiner Name	Lobo Ian J
Art Unit	3662
Attorney Docket No.	26.0263 US

### METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

- ☐ Check ☐ Credit Card ☐ Money Order ☐ None ☐ Other (please identify): \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ Deposit Account Deposit Account Number: 50-1122 Deposit Account Name: Schlumberger K.K.
- For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)
- ☒ Charge fee(s) indicated below ☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee
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### FEE CALCULATION

#### 1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	0
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

#### 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

**Total Claims**      **Extra Claims**      **Fee (\$)**      **Fee Paid (\$)**      **Multiple Dependent Claims**

20 or HP = \_\_\_\_\_ x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ 0      **Fee (\$)**      **Fee Paid (\$)**

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20

**Indep. Claims**      **Extra Claims**      **Fee (\$)**      **Fee Paid (\$)**

3 or HP = \_\_\_\_\_ x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ 0

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#### 3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper, the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

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#### 4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other: Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Fee code: 1801 - US\$790

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### SUBMITTED BY

Signature		Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) #38,698	Telephone 81-42-759-5202
Name (Print/Type)	Karan Singh	Date	December 29 2005

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